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Re: Theodor Sterling Special Project

Dr. Theodor Sterling has requested a modification in the method of funding his CTR Special Project, which was described in my letter of March 10, 1977, and subsequently approved for a three-year period.

The proposed change has been prompted by a new government provision in British Columbia whereby university computing facilities cannot be used for non-university purposes. Under the new rule, Dr. Sterling would not be able to utilize the computing facilities at Simon Fraser University as planned. Dr. Sterling has, therefore, suggested that a portion of his Special Project be awarded to Simon Fraser University to qualify the research as a project directly related to university activities and enable him to use the S.F.U. computing facility.

As proposed, the change in funding would involve the awarding of approximately fourteen percent (14%) of the project allocation per year to Simon Fraser University and the remaining eighty-six percent (86%) to T. D. Sterling, Ltd. (the original grantee). The yearly budgets may have to be adjusted slightly

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to reflect increased telephone and computer terminal costs but the total amount of the Special Project would remain unchanged.

The change will allow Dr. Sterling to utilize the large computing facility with which he is most familiar and avoid inconvenient and expensive reliance upon smaller facilities available in the private sector. I will be discussing this change with Mr. Hoyt next Tuesday or Wednesday and would appreciate receiving any comments as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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